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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
Robert Elliot LOW et al.)
Serial No. 10/083,898)
Filed: February 27, 2002)
Examiner: Virginia Manoharan)
Art Unit: 1764)
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD)
FOR CONDENSING LIQUID)
SOLVENT)

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REPLY TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This is in reply to the first Official Office Action, mailed March 21, 2005, in the above captioned application.

The first Official Office Action was not an action on the merits. It was a restriction requirement in which election was required between the following inventions:

- I. Claims 40-54 and 58-71 drawn to a condenser or a condenser-reservoir for a closed loop biomass extraction circuit.
- II. Claims 55-57 and 72-74 drawn to a method of operating a condenser for a closed loop biomass extraction circuit and a method of operating an assembly; and

III. Claim 75 drawn to a solvent obtained by the method of operating a condenser for a closed loop biomass extraction circuit.

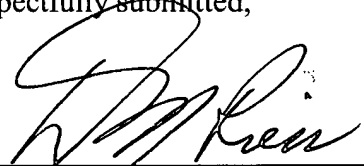
Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I - - Claims 40-54 and 58-71, with traverse.

Notwithstanding this election, applicants reserve the right to file later continuing applications directed to the non-elected inventions of Groups II and/or III.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, favorable consideration and allowance are requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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